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DHEW FOR MCCAIVITT, HEBER, REED, LECLAIR

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: TPHY, OSCI, GV
SUBJECT: DHEW/OHDS/RSA/SFCP - SCHOOL FOR DEAF CHILDREN

REF: STATE 61175

1. DURING MARCH 1-28 ERIC MATTHEWS MADE EXCELLENT START ON UPGRADING OPERATION OF CONAKRY SCHOOL FOR DEAF CHILDREN. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED ONLY POSITIVE COMMENTS FROM MINISTRY OF SOCIAL AFFAIRS OFFICIALS AND TEACHERS. THANKS TO HIS PRESENCE, SCHOOL PROJECT HAS BEGUN TO HAVE IMPACT INTENDED -- SHOWING HELPFUL US INVOLVEMENT IN VISIBLE HUMANITARIAN PROJECT WHERE NEED IS GREATEST, AND ALSO CATALYSING GUINEAN EFFORTS TO HELP THEMSELVES.

2. EMBASSY'S UNDERSTANDING IS THAT MATTHEWS WILL PREPARE REPORT ON HIS EXPERIENCE HERE, WHICH DHEW WILL TAKE INTO ACCOUNT IN FORMULATING PROJECT'S NEXT STEPS, AND THAT IN DUE COURSE DHEW WILL ADVISE EMBASSY ON RECOMMENDED ACTIVITIES FOR REMAINDER OF FY 78-79.

3. EMBASSY ASSUMES THAT DHEW, BASED ON HEBER, MATTHEWS, AND LECLAIR VISITS, WILL NOW BE IN POSITION TO MAKE FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW \$10,000 SELF-HELP BUDGET CAN MOST WISELY BE SPENT IN SUPPORT OF SCHOOL'S MATERIAL NEEDS.

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CURRENT DEADLINE FOR OBLIGATING FUNDS IN MAY 31. EMBASSY HOPES VOCATIONAL TRAINING DIMENSION WILL GET CLOSE ATTENTION IN MATTHEW'S REPORT. EMBASSY WELCOMES VISIT TO CONAKRY OF PROJECT BACKSTOPPER DR. L. DINO REED (REFTTEL). WOULD APPRECIATE NOTIFICATION OF VISIT DATES WHEN FIRM, AS WELL AS ANY SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS EMBASSY CAN HELP WITH.

4. HAVE FINALLY RECEIVED APPROVED DOCUMENTS MENTIONED REFTTEL
AND HAVE FORWARDED THEM VIA DIPLOMATIC NOTE MARCH 28 TO MINISTRY
OF SOCIAL AFFAIRS FOR SIGNATURE. WILL ADVISE.
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